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SUBJECT: AEGEAN DISPUTE - GREEKS RELEASE TURKISH SEAMEN

REF: ATHENS 6215

1. IZMIR (YENI ASIR) AND NATIONAL (GUNAYDIN) PRESS REPORT

RELEASE OF TURKISH BOAT CAPTAIN (HW

KI ASAR) AND HIS THREE

MEMBER CREW FROM 40 DAYS IMPRISONMENT IN GREECE. AS RECOUNTED

BY THE TURKISH CAPTAIN, THE TURKS WERE PROCEEDING FROM CESME

TO ISTANBUL, WHEN STOPPED BY GREEK AUTHORITIES ON JULY 4 NEAR

THE ISLAND OF MITILLINI. THEY WERE BROUGHT TO ATHENS WHERE

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THEY WERE PROSECUTED FOR PASSPORT VIOLATIONS. THEIR FOUR YEAR

SENTENCES WERE ON APPEAL REDUCED TO THREE MONTHS AND THEN A

FINE. THE IZMIR PRESS QUOTES ASAR AS SAYING "WE HAD DIFFICULT

DAYS, BUT THE GREEKS TREATED US WELL. THE COURT'S DECISION OF

FOUR YEAR IMPRISONMENT VERY MUCH SHOOK US."

2. COMMENT. THE STRAIGHT-FORWARD COVERAGE OF THIS INCIDENT

IN IZMIR PRESS CONTRASTS SHARPLY WITH SENSATIONALIST APPROACH

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OF GUNAYDIN. WE BELIEVE LOCAL PRESS TREATMENT IS INDICATIVE

OF GENERALLY LESS EMOTIONAL ATTITUDE TOWARD GREEK-TURKISH

TENSIONS AMONG AEGEAN TURKS. PEOPLE IN THIS AREA ARE WELL

ACCUSTOMED TO PROBLEMS EXPERIENCED BY BOTH GREEKS AND TURKS

ARISING FROM PROXIMITY OF OFFSHORE GREEK ISLANDS TO THE

TURKISH MAINLAND. END COMMENT.

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